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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL ON THE 2012 ILLINOIS BUDGET PLAN  
PROPOSED BY GOVERNOR PAT QUINN TODAY**

I applaud the Governor's decision to be honest with the taxpayers about the state's pension obligations. The hardworking families who rely on public pensions deserve honest answers, as do the taxpayers who have to honor those pension obligations. The time has come to deal with the state's pension obligations and I commend the Governor for being forthright today. In addition, I strongly support the Governor's commitment to maintain funding for education so that our children have the resources they need to learn, thrive, and succeed in the future.

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